

Cayce Historical Museum Commission January 11, 2023, Meeting Minutes

The January 11, 2023 meeting of the Cayce Historical Museum Commission (CHMC) was held in the Cayce Visitors Center. The meeting was convened at 4:08 by Acting Chair Archie Moore. The following individuals attended the meeting:

Name	Status
Archie Moore	Commissioner (Acting Chair)
Mary Sharpe	Commissioner
James Stewart	Commissioner
A.G. Dantzler	Commissioner
Charlita Earle	Commissioner (left early)
Pamela Sulton	Commissioner
Garrett Creasman	Commissioner
David Brinkman	Commissioner
Marcy Hayden	Commissioner
Andy Thomas	Cayce Museum Curator
Mike Conley	Assistant City Manager

Upcoming Events:

- 1/26 Presentation on Quilting at Cayce Visitor's Center
- 2/16 George Wingard Presentation on Dave the Potter's Legacy
- 2/18 Sweetgrass Basket Making Class
- 3/25 Cayce Soiree on State Street
- 4/1 Colonial Village at Tartan Day South

Invocation: Commissioner Dantzler

Action Items:

- Voting for Chair
- Funding Policy for Markers

November Meeting Minutes:

The Commission reviewed the previous meeting minutes. Commissioner Sulton motioned that the meeting minutes be accepted with the amendment that Commissioner Hayden was excused from the meeting. Commissioner Creasman seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

Museum Staff Report

Two potential donations were put forward for the Commission's consideration. The first donation was a set of firefighter badges from Cecil Dykes. The second donation was a collection of twentieth century documents and clothing from Donna Mahoney. While further information is

needed to ascertain whether the second donation was a good fit for the museum, the first donation was well-suited for the public service exhibit. Commissioner Creasman motioned to accept the badges (seconded by Commissioner Dantzler) and the motion was approved by unanimous vote. Ms. Mahoney also expressed concern over the possible removal of a baseball scoreboard at Williams Field. Commissioner Sulton motioned that we gather additional information on that topic (seconded by Commissioner Stewart). This motion was also unanimously approved.

2022 Christmas in Cayce Review

In the future, the cider temperature needs to be lower and food needs to be individually packaged. The cannon was also exceedingly loud. Slippery stair treads also made for a trip/fall hazard. City personnel are already planning to correct the hazard.

Several Commissioners offered recommendations for improving the content of the next (2023) Christmas in Cayce event. The open space around the museum could be used for a European style Christmas Market. The Lantern tour has the most room for improvement.

Recommendation for the tour include:

- inclusion of additional themes and chronological periods
- creation of scripted content
- offer reservations for lantern tour time slots
- creation of handbill tour map

Old Business

- The subcommittee for establishing a new Museum foundation 501(c)3 plans to have the nonprofit incorporated in the first quarter of the year.
- The subcommittee for strategic planning needs to meet before the next full meeting to create a framework/schedule for full Commission's deliberations.

New Business

- Chairman Archie Moore brought the matter of the Old State Road to the attention of the Commission and expressed his concerns regarding the condition and future status of the road and the fact that it is closed to the public from the bridge at Congaree creek to Old Wire Road. Mr. Moore presented a brief history paper and informed the commission that he has submitted a preliminary application to the State Preservation office as a first step toward inclusion of the road into the National Register of Historic Places.
- The preservation of the unpaved and closed section of Old State Road is a concern for the Commission. The road is an important part of the city's history. Commissioner Sulton motioned that we request further information from the City about the road and also look into the preparation of a National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) Nomination Form for the road. Commissioner Hayden seconded the motion, which was approved by unanimous vote.

Officer Election

Commission Officers are elected for one-year terms that expire at the end of the calendar year. Two candidates were nominated for Commission Chair: Archie Moore and James Stewart. Commissioner Earle had to leave before the election, bring the number of votes for the election to eight. Votes for Commission Chair were tied between the two candidates. As there was no procedure for breaking a tie, election results were discarded and a new vote will be held at the February Commission meeting. Commissioner Hayden nominated Commissioner Sulton for Vice Chair and Commissioner Hayden was nominated by Commissioner Sulton for the position of Secretary. Both ran unopposed for their positions and were elected by unanimous vote of the Commissioners still present at the meeting.

Having no further business, Commissioner Dantzler motioned for the meeting to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Creasman and the meeting was adjourned at **5:56 PM**.